



**Fw: individual leachfield option ...follow-up**

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btw: the "carrot" for the individual property owners to go w/ individual leachfields is no more sewer bills.

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John:

I'm not sure what you think of this idea, but as an option to the wastewater issue at Pineview what if each individual home owner were to have their own leachfield installed? I believe that each home already has a septic tank, so it would be a matter of disconnecting them from the sewer system and installing a leachfield within their front-yard, back-yard, etc. The upside to this would be that in the long run each home owner would be responsible for their own system, it would be less expensive than fixing the existing wastewater treatment system, EPA would no longer regulate the situation, and it would conform with County/State regs so if BIA wanted to transfer the property out of trust the community wastewater treatment facility would not come into play. The difficulty would be in "forcing" this idea onto individual homeowners. I believe each lot is under a long-term lease, so there may be some legal means to basically make this thing happen whether or not an individual home owner wanted to participate,

You may want to explore this option with Tetra Tech and your legal folks. Aaron

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